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Washington Letter.

From our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 1.—This has been a week of the wildest excitement in Congress. Every day has furnished its share. For a time it looked as though the President, the Speaker of the House, and all other opposition would be pushed aside and that Congress would take the bit between its teeth, so to speak, and declare war against Spain. A score or more war-like resolutions have been introduced in the House and Senate. By the use of persuasion and promises on the part of the President and the Speaker this action has been stayed off until next week. The President has asked that Congress wait until Spain decides whether it will accept the last chance to peacefully give up Guba by allowing the insurgents to buy it, before declaring war, or for forcible intervention, which would be the same thing; but he has been candidly informed that Spain will have to decide quick or it will be too late, as Congress is overwhelmingly for immediate war, and it is becoming more war-like the more it studies the testimony which accompanied the report of the Naval Court of Inquiry saying that the Maine was blown up by a submarine mine; and is liable to act at any time. Few of those Senators and Representatives who are using their influence to hold Congress in check until the President is satisfied that peace is impossible believe in the sincerity of Spain in the present negotiations, and those who wish to start the fighting at once do not hesitate to express the belief that Spain is merely playing for time, in order that her warships now on the way may get across the Atlantic and be in a position to attack our seacoast cities before the opening of hostilities. The latter say that we should declare war and send our warships out to meet those of Spain in the middle of the ocean, and that we should pen those up in Havana harbor which are already there. Such action would certainly make the war short and decisive, but the President thinks we should not go to war if everything we demand can be had peacefully.

There seems to be ground for the last report that Secretary Sherman is shortly to retire from the cabinet. It has been an open secret in Washington that Secretary Sherman has not directed any of the important matters with which the department of State has had to deal under the present administration. Some have said it was because Secretary Sherman lacked the physical strength, owing to his age and delicate health, to assume any great burden; others, that it was because his mental faculties were no longer what they once were. Anyway, he has been Secretary only in name. The active duties of Secretary of State have been performed by Judge Day, the assistant Secretary, but in reality the President has been his own Secretary of State. Existing complications are said to have caused the President to realize the necessity for a Secretary of State of wider diplomatic experience than either himself or his friend, and lieutenant, Judge Day, has had, and the portfolio is said to have been offered to Senator Davis, chairman of the senate committee on foreign relations, and to be declined by him, and to ex-Senator Edmunds, of Vermont, who has the offer under consideration.

Capt. C. D. Sigsbee, who was in command of the battleship Maine when it was blown up in Havana harbor, and whose conduct upon that memorable occasion earned the admiration, not only of every American, but of every person who admires the display of a cool head and calm nerves under exciting conditions, returned to his Washington

home this week, and is being given a right royal welcome, not only by his wife and children but by all who meet him. He has been thanked in person by the President and by the Secretary of the Navy, for the example he has set for the United States naval officers; and the National Geographic Society, of which Capt. Sigsbee has long been a distinguished member, is arranging for a monster public reception in his honor, in order that the people of Washington can all have an opportunity to meet the brave officer and to tender their esteem and admiration to him in person.

The populists in Congress, with a desire to put themselves on record on the subject, held a joint caucus and agreed upon the resolution which was offered in the Senate by Senator Allen, and in the House by Representative Bell. The resolution provides for recognition of the independence of Cuba, forcible intervention to bring about peace, and the appropriation of \$500,000 for the relief of needy noncombatants.

The republicans of the House are determined that the democrats shall not get the credit for originating any war legislation that may be passed by that body. They showed this by voting solidly to sustain the speaker when he decided that Representative Bailey's attempt to offer a resolution declaring Cuba independent, as a personal privilege, was out of order, and they showed it again at a caucus held for the purpose of discussing and deciding what they should do. The caucus decided to wait until the first of next week for the president to give Spain a last chance to agree to get out of Guba peacefully, and the Senate "steering" committee has done the same. It was a close call for war, and Spain must now decide whether it shall be peace or war.

Due West on the Map.

Many pleasant words about Due West, the educational headquarters of the Seceders of the south, were thrown into the symposium of speeches made at the Bryan reception in the Female College chapel on the evening of "Bryan Day in Erskine College." The Hon. Geo. D. Tillman, in a speech full of quaint humor, said he thought "Long Town" would be a better descriptive name than "Due West," for the place seemed to him to be about four miles long and about 50 yards wide. Senator McLaurin recalled that something had been said about persons who were on the "broad road that leads to perdition," but he wanted to say to Mr. Bryan that when he reached Due West he was at a stopping place on "that narrow path that leads to heaven." The senator was also glad to say to the people that Mr. Bryan was on the "stumpy road that leads to the White House." Representative J. L. Lentz, of Ohio, told how when first invited to Due West he had got out his maps and sought to locate the place with reference to other places of which he had heard; but that now, since becoming acquainted with "Due West" he had learned that when he wished hereafter to locate a place, the proper question would be, how far is it from Due West?—Abbeville Medium.

If Alfred Austin insists upon addressing poetry to the United States, there'll be another international difficulty. Great Britain should be made to pay heavy indemnity for the out-break of the poet laureate.—Greenville News.

A couple of lawyers engaged in a case were recently discussing the issue. "At all events," said the younger and more enthusiastic, "we have justice on our side." "Which the older and wiser replied, "Quite true; but what we want is the chief justice on our side."

A GRAVEYARD CASE.

Involving Several Points of Law Is Heard by the Master.

The master has just completed his report in a reference case involving some rather novel points of law. This was the "graveyard case" of J. T. Blessingame et al. vs. Nathan Whitmire et al. The master has filed an opinion favorable to the plaintiff.

The facts in the case are about as follows: It is a controversy over the family burying grounds of General John Blessingame, a hero of the war of 1812. Many years ago General Blessingame, his wife and several members of the family, were buried on a tract of land near the city of Greenville. This was a private graveyard used exclusively by the Blessingame family and was then located on property belonging to them.

The land eventually went out of possession of the Blessingame family by deed of J. W. M. Blessingame, dated September 12, 1825. He conveyed the property on that date to Eliza H. Simpkins.

This deed had endorsed upon it a memorandum which undertook to reserve to the grantor one acre of land, including the family graveyard.

This memorandum was not signed by either of the parties to the deed. After the execution of this deed J. W. M. Blessingame died and was buried in the family graveyard. There were in all five or six members of the family buried there.

The graves, with the exception of two, were inclosed by a stone wall and marked with substantial slabs and headstones in marble. No burials have taken place on the ground for a number of years—perhaps as many as forty. The graves and walls have been wholly neglected and the spot was covered with weeds and much wild growth. It was only visited by members of the family at long intervals.

The property passed through various hands from the time it was conveyed in 1824, until some eight or nine years ago, when it went into possession of the defendant, Whitmire. All the land in the tract, except the graveyard, had been cultivated by previous owners.

Some time during last year the defendant, Whitmire, employed the co-defendant, Copeland, to clean off the land and instructed him to remove the stone wall and level the slabs and headstones with the ground. Copeland went farther than this, however; he took the slabs, etc., and buried them in the ground, carted away the rock wall, and the spot as a graveyard was obliterated.

Then the plaintiffs herein mentioned began a suit to require the defendant to restore the graveyard to the condition it was before the removal. The defendant Copeland does not answer. The defendant Whitmire answers; setting up title to the land and claiming the right to dispose of the graveyard property as he sees fit.

The case was rather a remarkable one in many respects, none like it ever having disturbed the judicial equilibrium of this State. The master was forced to look up outside authorities to ascertain "where he was at" and after a thorough investigation he concludes that the presumption of law was that when Mrs. Simpkins took the deed from Blessingame with the memorandum endorsed on it, it was taken with notice of the fact that this piece of land had been set apart by the family as a burying ground, and that the family intended to use it and preserve it as such subsequent to, as they had previous to that time.

The master says in reference to Mrs. Simpkins, the first grantee of the Blessingames: "The right was continued and recognized during her holding and when in after years the family ceased to bury there, the

walls and stones and tablets still remained as silent, solemn witnesses of the use to which the spot had been dedicated. All the successive owners recognized the right and held it inviolate till the Defendant Whitmire took possession. He did not interfere for quite a number of years, and even he appears to have recognized in a measure the right so long respected by those who preceded him as owner of the land, for he says: 'I told Copeland to push the slabs down so if anybody ever came we could show them where they were.'"

After going further into the details of the case and citing authorities entirely sufficient to bear him out in his observations the master says: "I therefore conclude that in equity the plaintiffs are entitled to the judgment of the court requiring the defendants to restore the walls, slabs and stones removed by them to the condition in which they were just before their removal and to have the injunction heretofore granted made perpetual."

Every Line Costs Something.

The newspapers at Abbeville have been publishing all notices of pensions, including the names of pensioners, without charge; but we are not doing that kind of business any longer.

Speaking for this newspaper particularly, we have quit doing a great deal of the free work, which we formerly did. As a matter of fact, every line of type that goes into this newspaper costs something, and we have adopted the rule of charging for matters that others are more interested in than we are.

In the years that are past, the politicians made great drafts on us for the free publication of matters in which they were chiefly interested.

There is neither justice or equity in any such course. Hereafter the politician who seeks the benefit of these columns to aid his vote-catching principals, or who may desire the advancement of personal interests, must pay the cash.

First-class politicians do not desire to deadbeat the printers, and little second-class half-handed brothers need not attempt to sponge on us for their glory and fame.

Of course we do not expect to charge a high price for our services in helping the cause of any politician; but he must pay at least the actual cost, with a fair per cent. for profits.—Abbeville Press and Banner.

The Ablest Men.

The Washington Gazette says: "What is the matter with Georgia that she does not honor her ablest men?" Probably for the reason that obtains in other places—that the "ablest men" haven't got the "pull." They, as a rule devote so much of their time looking after their own business and the good of their communities that they have no time to devote to the study of the art in politics. There are exceptions, striking exceptions, but the rule is that it takes a negative sort of man to make a good race; that is a man about whom nothing much in particular can be said; and they, to extend the rule further, are not generally the "ablest" men anywhere. Our country would be better off today perhaps if the ablest men were elevated to office and the people knew this, but they won't practice it long at a time.—Yorkville Yeoman.

"Darling," said she, "do you love me as much as ever?" "Yes, dearie," said he, with his nose buried in his newspaper. That ought to have satisfied her, but she had to ask, "Why?" "Oh, I dunno. Habit," he posed.—Pearson's Weekly.

Grand Jury's Report.

To the Honorable J. C. Klugh, Presiding Judge:

We, the grand jury of Chester county, would respectfully submit the following report:

That we have passed upon all the bills handed us by the solicitor, and all other matters brought to our attention.

That we have made an examination of the various county institutions and investigated the condition and workings of the same.

That we have examined into the condition of the county offices with the exception of the auditor's office. That we have found said county offices and institutions in a satisfactory condition, excepting as herein after specified.

In the matter of the county jail we recommend that a passage way be opened through the jail, from front to the rear, and that an iron stairway be constructed from the rear entrance to the second floor, said stairway to lead up from outside. We further recommend that two, and not more than three, steel cages be provided by the county authorities in the jail for safe keeping of the prisoners, and that said steel cages be constructed on modern plan. We further recommend that the jail be furnished with a cooking stove.

We note that the county board of commissioners have let contract for water works and sewerage at the jail, which action we endorse.

We recommend that the county court house be provided by the county board of commissioners with an adequate system of water works.

We are glad to report that the county chain gang is in a satisfactory condition, and is doing good work in building and repairing the highways of the county.

We recommend that the supervisor and county board require of the overseers of roads more time and attention to their duties in the matter of keeping in repair the roads and highways after the same have been repaired by the county chain gang.

We are glad to report that the finances of the county are in better condition than they have been for a number of years. We find now that the county is out of debt and has on hand for ordinary county purposes about \$12,000, which we are informed by the county supervisor, will be sufficient to run the county government without borrowing for the remainder of the fiscal year, under ordinary conditions. The affairs of the county have been wisely and economically managed by the county supervisor and county board. We note that the tax levy has been reduced 7-10 of a mill.

We find the county poor house and farm in good condition. Paupers report kind treatment and claim to get plenty to eat. The number of inmates in the institution at present is 24—18 colored and 6 white. We find on hand 30 bushels of wheat, 100 bushels of peas, 475 bushels of corn, 5000 bushels of fodder, 100 bales of hay, 20 head of hogs, 13 head of cattle, one grass mow, one hay press, one cane mill, one evaporator, 600 pounds of cured meat, 100 gallons molasses, 20 bales of cotton, and five good mules. We find all stock, cattle, farming implements, etc., in good condition.

We recommend that the superintendent of the poor house and farm be required to keep a book for the purpose of keeping a correct account of all labor and services performed upon poor house farm, showing any loss of time for any reason whatever by or on the part of any labor hired by said superintendent. We further recommend that the value of the time so lost be deducted from the wages of such hired labor by the county supervisor and county board.

We have examined the books and transcripts of the various magistrates of the county and found the same correct and that proper returns had been made.

In conclusion we beg to thank the presiding Judge for kind and courteous treatment and the solicitor for courteous attention.

Respectfully submitted,
W. A. HARDIN,
Foreman.

Letter From Sugar Creek, N. C.

We are having real spring weather. Some farmers are planting corn, others say it is too early, as we will have cold weather yet.

I made a hasty visit to Huntersville last week. The people there are rejoicing over their new railroad, which they expect to have completed by May 1st. Then they will have six trains, whereas now they have but the passenger and freight. They are to have a telephone line from Statesville to Charlotte. You see they are progressing like South Carolina in the telephone business.

We went through the spinning mill while in Huntersville. It is said to be a well kept place. I think they have six boys sweeping all the time. The Superintendent was very kind to us, he took us all through and explained the different parts of machinery to us.

While in that "city," one of the prominent "bachelors" showed us a matrimonial thermometer. It was made in Germany and was quite a curiosity to us, as we had never seen one before. Our temperature was tried, and I'll not say what the thermometer indicated.

Huntersville boasts of having two of the best and finest looking preachers any where. South Carolinians never "go back" on home folks, so I tell them I think theirs are good but our South Carolinians are better.

The First Presbytery of the A. R. P. church meets in Charlotte next week and the G. A. P. presbytery of Mecklenburg meets at Philadelphia church, six miles from Sugar Creek, the same time. So this portion of North Carolina will have plenty of preachers then.

Williams Chapel has challenged Sugar Creek for a "Catechism contest." I think Sugar creek has accepted, so I presume our next contest will be more exciting.

I had the pleasure of meeting Prof. Douglass, of Davidson College, last Monday. He seems to be enjoying good health. I know his many friends in Chester and Blackstock will be glad to know the North Carolinians think he is one of the best professors in the college. He visited Blackstock recently.

We spent a day with Mr. Donaldson, a Scotchman, who has a dairy farm. It was a pleasure to be there. He showed us a cream separator which makes 6000 revolutions a minute. He has a Davis churn, which holds twenty gallons of milk. He keeps everything in perfect order.

Mrs. Moore (Miss Nora Neal), who has visited Blackstock and has many friends there, is expected on this evening's train. She comes to visit her father, Dr. Neal, who is quite ill.

Please extend my congratulations to our "Irish friend"; I see from Friday's LANTERN he was married the 23d.

AZALEE.

Repairs Wanted.

After a recent railway collision a Scotchman was extricated from the wreckage by a companion who had escaped unhurt. "Never mind, Sandy," his rescuer remarked, "it's nothing serious and you will get damages for it." "Damages!" roared Sandy. "Hae I no' had enough?—Gude saakes, it's repairs I'm seekin' noo!"

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J. T. BIGHAM, - Editor and Prop.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1898.

We congratulate the Rock Hill Herald on its escape from the fire. Had the Herald been burned that would have been one of the greatest losses caused by the fire.

As lenient as courts are toward the crime of carrying concealed weapons, the penalty is often death—sometimes to the guilty party, but more frequently to some innocent person within range.

Gen. R. R. Hemphill says the only objection to going to war with Spain is the idea of jumping on a weaker power. Still he is in favor of declaring war, and says he will go himself if necessary, but he wants a good place.

A few months ago the report of small-pox in Columbia would have caused a total eclipse of the war with Spain all over the state. Now it is received with indifference, either from doubt that the disease is genuine small-pox, or from the impression that small-pox is not the monster it was formerly considered.

EXCHANGE OF IDEAS.

Union county has the honor of advertising for the first substitute for the Cuban service. The aforesaid substitute will please apply to Mr. Joseph E. Scott, who signed an enlistment in the Johnston Rifles under the misapprehension that it was something else.—Union New Era.

We think it full time, in view of various recent controversies in South Carolina, that the doctors of the State should hold a convention and determine what the disease of smallpox is—agree on a common eruptive standard, as it were—a majority vote to fix the understanding and the treatment all over the State. If they won't unite in a convention then let the matter be settled by a primary—but for the sake of the community let them agree upon a uniform diagnosis!—State.

Spain has been fooling herself. She has led herself to believe that she will be assisted by the south, that the old Confederate States will again secede and join arms with her. She was never worse fooled in her life. If Uncle Sam will turn his navy over to the old Confederate States and let every Yankee keep his hands off, Spain will get the worst whipping she ever had. The south will undertake the war and come off with a glorious victory, too.—Conway Republic.

McKinley has shown remarkable calmness and fortitude throughout the whole Maine affair, and has won the plaudits of all right-thinking people by his cool, deliberate action. While the United States government is on the very brink of war with Spain, the President will not rashly plunge the country into the strife, but will, if need be, advise congress to declare war when ever the proper time arrives.—Kingstree Record.

Another Vessel Bought.

LONDON, April 2.—Lieut. Commander Colwell, of the United States naval attaché here, this afternoon purchased from the Thames Iron Works for his government a cruiser of 1,800 tons displacement and capable of a speed of 16 knots. The vessel carries six 4.7-inch guns and 20 smaller ones. She is fitted with twin screws and has a protected deck. At 5 o'clock this afternoon Lieut. Commander Colwell hoisted the Stars and Stripes on the cruiser and then obtained a crew. The vessel will go to sea within three days. Lieut. Commander Colwell says the price paid was very reasonable.

WASHINGTON, April 3.—Mrs. David J. Brewer, wife of Associate Justice Brewer, of the United States supreme court, died here to night. She was 60 years of age.

FIRE IN ROCK HILL.

Loss Estimated at \$200,000.

ROCK HILL, April 3.—Where once the majority of the business buildings of the city stood is now a mass of smouldering ruins. The fire which burned them has the largest the town has had since about 1888.

The fire originated in the old London building, occupied by the New York Racket store, and the alarm was given at 15 minutes before 1 o'clock. The fire department and citizens responded promptly, but before water could be turned the London building was a mass of flames front to back. A pretty strong breeze was blowing from the southwest, and had not this breeze kept up during the whole night all the south side of Main street would have been cleared. As it was, the department kept water flowing pretty well, and considering the small supply of the tanks, did fine work. In fact, there was more than one act of heroism performed by the "laddies" last night, as there generally is at a big fire. During the progress of the fire there was a tremendous explosion in one of the buildings, which did a great deal of damage. Several of the spectators and workers were painfully injured. Mr. George D. White, book-keeper of the Savings bank, was badly cut by flying debris, and was carried home insensible. Capt. Eugene Hutchison, president of the Rock Hill cotton mill, was painfully cut about the head. A small colored girl on the other side of the street was seriously, and is still thought fatally injured, by the explosion, which shattered all the glass on the south side of Main street. Mr. Fred D. Marshall, manager of the telephone exchange, was run over by one of the engine horses at the beginning of the fire and very painfully injured, several ribs being fractured, besides extensive scalp wounds.

Many minor accidents not worthy of serious thought, but painfully present with the victims, occurred. Your correspondent received a very painful wrench of the ankle, making it difficult for him to get up statistics for night message.

At four o'clock the Charlotte fire department, which had been wired for, arrived, but by that time the fire had been gotten into control. An alley between A. E. Smith's and Frew's building, through which a strong breeze was blowing, the solidity of the walls of both of the buildings and the great extra height of the Frew building—toward which the fire was progressing—saved the rest of the block and controlled the fire.

A very conservative estimate by an insurance man places the amount of damage at \$150,000, with a possible insurance of \$100,000 to \$125,000.

A list of the firms and offices burned out is as follows:

- MAIN STREET.
- A. E. Smith & Co., general merchandise.
 - August Friedheim, dry goods.
 - The masonic lodge.
 - A. Friedheim & Bro., general merchandise.
 - J. B. Johnson & Co., druggists.
 - Dr. Wallace Fennell, physician.
 - Drs. I. Simpson & Son, dentists.
 - R. T. Jewell & Co., dry goods.
 - Mrs. M. Ratteree, millinery.
 - George Beach, jeweler.
 - New York Racket, dry goods.
 - Dr. J. M. Hunter, physician.
 - P. C. Poag, insurance.
 - Jno. R. London, mill office.
 - J. H. Milling, groceries.
 - A. J. Evans, drugs.
 - Roddy's opera house.
 - J. W. O'Neal, dry goods.
- RAILROAD AVENUE.
- J. W. O'Neal, groceries.
 - New York Racket, groceries.
 - Cox & Hagins, groceries.
 - R. J. Hagins, drugs.
 - Johnson & Co., groceries.
 - R. H. Cowan, groceries.
 - Chas. Ausband, furniture.
- The insurance companies involved are: Aetna, Palatine Northern, Union, Norwich, Delaware, American of Philadelphia, Imperial Continental, Royal, Home of New York, London and Liverpool and Globe;

Springfield, New York Underwriters; Teutonic, Hamburg-Bremen, Hartford.

Later: The loss is not less than \$200,000; insurance about \$125,000.—Columbia State.

In Memoriam.

Resolutions in memory of Samuel Prioleau Hamilton, deceased, adopted by the Bar of Chester:

Whereas in the divine providence of God our brother Counselor Samuel Prioleau Hamilton, was called to his reward on the 22nd day of November, 1897—

And whereas the deceased had for more than thirty years been a member of, and a practitioner at this bar—

And whereas we the members of said bar desire to leave on record some token of our appreciation of the life and character of our deceased brother, with whom we have been so long and so pleasantly associated—

Therefore be it resolved:

First. That in the death of Samuel Prioleau Hamilton this bar has lost a fearless, outspoken, and eloquent counselor and advocate, and the county and State a patriotic citizen.

Second. That we will revere the memory of our deceased brother for his kindness, friendliness and gentility in all our personal relations and associations with him, for his courage and devotion to his client's cause, and for his many qualities of head and heart that marked him as a man of ability and prominence.

Third. That we request his Honor the Presiding Judge to order these resolutions recorded in the minutes of the court and to direct that a page in the minute book be inscribed to the memory of our deceased brother, on which the clerk shall write his full name, the date of his birth, and the date of his death.

Fourth. That the clerk shall furnish a copy of these resolutions to the surviving son of the deceased, and to the county papers for publication.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D.: "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour; determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Colds and Coughs. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman. Trial bottles free at Woods & Brice's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed or price refunded. (11)

Some people think a newspaper can be run without money. We know better, and hope by diligent work, to convert some of our delinquent subscribers to our way of thinking.—Union New Era.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Woods & Brice.

Estate of H. C. Yongue--Final Discharge.

Notice is hereby given that on the 9th day of April next, the undersigned will make a final settlement of the estate of H. C. Yongue in the office of the Probate Judge and apply for final discharge.

D. & J. T. McDONALD, Adm'r. of H. C. Yongue.

Attention Here—Say, friend, have you tried Dayberry's Laundry? If not, try it. The work is of a dead white and beautiful finish. Your friend, J. E. DAYBERRY.

GOOD MULES AND HORSES

Always on hand, to suit customers, both by order, or at

A. Friedheim & Bro's, ROCK HILL, S. C.

War News.

There is really nothing new in the war situation. The president's message to congress is confidently expected tomorrow, and it is said will deal with the Maine matter, and recommend recognition of Cuban independence. A movement is said to be on foot among European powers to propose mediation, and the sentiment in Washington is that no mediation will be accepted by this country except on condition of Cuba's independence.

How to Become a Strong man.

First, arise in the morning. Do this twice if you feel like it. Expand your lungs with a bicycle pump. Eat breakfast—anybody's. Carry a hod of bricks up six flights of stairs forty times and the last time drop them down the elevator shaft. Try lifting—shop-lifting, will do. Eat a heavy supper—one that will make you kick in your sleep. Every kick exercises the rumtural and splendox muscles. Eat onions eight times a day, drink wood alcohol. If this doesn't make you strong call again.

Notice.

A note and a mortgage on real estate, bearing date April 2, 1898, given by J. F. Oates and payable to the order of Maggie and William G. Oates, was lost by me last Saturday between the bank and Wylie & Co's store. All persons are warned against trading for these papers. JNO. F. OATES.

Eggs, Eggs—Barred Plymouth Rock eggs for hatching. Fine Stock. Guaranteed good hatch. Thirteen for one dollar. R. W. STRICKER.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

SUPERVISOR.

CHESTER, S. C., March 15, '98. I hereby announce myself a candidate for nomination to the office of County Supervisor at the ensuing democratic primary election, and pledge myself to abide by the result of said election. The cordial support of my fellow citizens is respectfully solicited. J. R. CULP, Sr.

AUDITOR.

We are authorized to announce W. M. Corliss as a candidate for re-appointment to the office of County Auditor, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election.

TREASURER.

Being well pleased with Mr. W. O. Guy's services as treasurer of Chester county, we hereby nominate him for reappointment to the same office, subject to the recommendation of the democratic primary. TAXPAYERS.

PROFESSIONAL.

R. B. CALDWELL, Attorney and Counsellor at Law, Walker Bld'g, CHESTER, S. C. Prompt and careful attention given to all business. Practice in all the Courts. Collections and Commercial Law.

PRYOR & MCKEE.

DRUGGISTS.

Prescriptions a Specialty.

Teachers and Others

Having official business with me will please take notice that my office days are MONDAYS and SATURDAYS. W. D. KNOX, County Superintendent of Education.

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Lots and residences in the city of Chester. Farming lands in Chester and Union counties.

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Office: McCoy's Drug Store, Gadaden street.

SHAD AND OTHER FISH

On hand all the time. Baked Shad served in my cafe every day.

A FINE LOT OF GROCERIES, Etc.

Call on me when you are in need of a fine meal. 25 per cent saved if you buy from me. Blake's old stand.

PHONE 6. T. H. WARD.

GRAND SPRING OPENING! S. M. Jones & Co.

RELIABLE WHOLESALE AND RETAILERS.

One of the most Complete Stocks of Goods ever exhibited in the City of Chester. We offer the following Bargains:

2 cases Barker's 4-4 Bleaching 16 yds for \$1.00 Value 10c.

3 cases best Dress Calicoes, 4 cts. per yard. Value 6 1-4 cts.

2 cases best quality standard Shirting Prints, 3c. yard. Value 5 cents.

2 cases figured Dimity, 5 cts a yard. Value 10c.

100 pieces D. Gingham, 5 cts. a yard. Value 8 cts.

200 pieces white India Linen, 5 cts a yd. Former price 7 1-2 c.

Special Bargains.

25 pieces black figured India Silks, 75c per yd. Value \$1.

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100 Patterns, beautiful styles, all new, 25c to 40c.

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50 pieces Taffeta and Colored Silks, in all the newest shades, 50c to \$1. per yard.

Great Sale Ladies Shirt Waists at half price.

500 Laundered Waists with Collars and Cuffs. 25c Cheap at 50c.

300 Laundered Waists. 39c Value 75 cents.

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We are now opening a beautiful line of Fur and Straw Goods, all the correct things for Spring. Our stock of Russert and Patent Leather Shoes is very complete and cheap.

See our line of Negligee Shirts from 25c. to \$1.00. Can't be surpassed anywhere.

Remember we do not keep old goods. Come and buy where you can get goods at wholesale prices. Goods warranted as represented or money refunded.

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Carpets, Matting and Oil C'th

25 pieces Matting at... 10c

25 " " at... 15c

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All cheap; worth 25 per c. more.

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Even if you do not buy, a look at our New Spring Clothing will give you a correct idea of this season's styles. Perfect in fit and pleasing in price.

Ladies' and Misses' Shoes and Oxfords.

SEE THIS LINE. LARGE AND COMPLETE.

SPECIAL.

100 all-wool Cassimere suits Real value \$6. \$4.00

100 Crash Shirts, all linen and fast colors. \$2.50

See our stock of fine Clothing, ranging in price from \$5.00 to \$25.00

DRESS GOODS, BLACK GOODS AND SILK DEPARTMENT.

We are showing a beautiful line of Dress Goods in all the newest shades and weaves. See our line in colors from 10c to \$1.00 per yard.

Some Late Novelties in Neck Wear and Collars.

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GRASS BARGAINS

In Parasols and Umbrellas. Our Silk Parasol is a world-beater for \$1.00.

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We carry in Stock Fresh Lines of everything usually found in a First Class Grocery, and can suit all tastes, from the Plainest to the most Fastidious.

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"CLEVELAND" No. 35 at \$50.00, for 1898.

It is the best wheel that has ever been offered to the public for the money. The bearings are waterproof as well as dust-proof. "CLEVELAND" wheels are built on honor, and they stand the racket. Our line embraces wheels from \$15.00 to \$100.

Good stock on hand. We carry a full line of bicycle tools and sundries, and are prepared to do all repair work at moderate prices. Everything guaranteed as represented, and we are here to stay. Remember that we have everything in this line. Yours truly,

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SANITARY PLUMBING,

STEAM AND HOT WATER HEATING.

We are prepared to do all kinds of plumbing and hot water fitting. Come in and let us show you over our stock, and if you have any work to be done we will cheerfully bid on it for you and do it at a low figure.

Bicycles Repaired, Rented and Sold.

We have with us a first-class bicycle repair man. If you have any work in this line bring it around and let us do it CHEAP. We make the old wheels new.

We are agents for the best sewing machine in the market. It can't be anything but the NEW HOME.

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THE LANTERN.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 5, 1898.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Advertisements inserted under this head at ten cents a line.
No advertisements inserted as reading matter.

Blank Receipts—Printed on good white paper, and bound in books of 100 each, for sale at this office.

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I will remain in Chester for some months and offer my services to a limited number of pupils for Piano, Violin, voice and harmony. Specialties—voice building and Musical expression.
J. W. TILLINGHAST.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. F. Oates gives notice of lost note and mortgage.

R. Brandt tells about engagements and wedding rings, and how to get when you are getting genuine stuff.

LOCAL NEWS.

Miss Delta Atkinson, of Richburg, was in the city Saturday.

Mr. A. W. Klutz returned from the north last Saturday.

Mr. Will Allison, of Yorkville, was in the city last Friday.

Messrs. C. B. Betts and J. C. Robinson spent Sunday at Lancaster.

Miss Una Payseur, of Lancaster, has been visiting Miss Bertha Stahn.

Rev. R. D. Perry is attending the meeting of Bethel Presbytery at clover.

Mr. A. C. Izard, soliciting freight agent of the Southern Railway, was in the city yesterday.

Miss Fanny Gregory, of the county, is at Dr. Pryor's sanitarium for treatment.

Mr. Will Simpson, of Blackstock, was in the city yesterday, on business.

Mr. Grace Hallyburton, of Shelby, N. C., was in the city last Thursday and Friday.

W. D. Melton, Esq., of Columbia, visited relatives in the city last week.

Mr. Thomas McCandless, from Belfast, Ireland, is visiting Mr. Hamilton McCandless.

Mr. W. C. Brown, of Banks, has some good ideas about what crops to plant and how to improve land.

Mr. M. S. Bridges, of Augusta, Ga., is spending a few days in the city with his many friends.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Newbold went to Fort Lawn last Saturday, to spend a few days with friends.

Mr. Jno. P. Rice, of Jacksonville, Fla., spent last Saturday in the city with his brother, Mr. J. A. Rice.

Judge Gage came home from Darlington Wednesday morning and left for Chesterfield yesterday, where he opens court today.

Rev. D. N. McLaughlin and Mr. W. D. Knox left for Clover this morning to attend the meeting of Bethel Presbytery.

Messrs. M. A. Carpenter, J. C. Carpenter, P. W. McLure, and Louis McNease spent Sunday in Union with relatives and friends.

Misses Ella Love and Clara Crawford, of McConellsville, and Mrs. B. W. Kuykendall, of Guthrieville, are visiting at Mr. F. D. Williams.

Rev. C. B. Betts and Mr. I. N. Whiteside passed through the city yesterday on their way to Charlotte to attend the spring meeting of Presbytery.

Interesting evening services were held at the Baptist church all last week by the pastor, and they will be continued through this week. The service for yesterday was held at 4 p. m.

Rev. J. S. Moffatt and Mr. A. G. Brice went to Charlotte yesterday, to attend the meeting of the First Presbytery.

We regret that other engagements place it beyond our power to attend the commencement at Brainerd, than which there is no other institution in the land more deserving.

What about the streets? Are the contractors going to repair them or not? People who live out among the hills in the country are ridiculing our streets. They say they are worse than the country roads.

Gen. R. R. Hemphill made a very pleasant call at this office yesterday, but when he saw that the printers were close on our heels he wouldn't accept even an invitation to "make himself at home" while we hunted up a little copy, but said he would see us again.

Good reports come from Armenia school. The public term closed last Friday with very pleasing exercises, and the patrons had arranged to continue the school two months. This is at once an endorsement of the teacher, Mrs. Lowry, and credit to the patrons. We had the promise of a report of the exercises last Friday, but it has not shown up.

We feel like begging our farmers to plant at least every third acre in corn that they have prepared for cotton. We believe that more cotton will be planted this year than ever before, and we should not be surprised to see cotton selling next fall at four cents, with corn in great demand and high in price. Land lying idle will pay better than in cotton, if the cotton must be sold below the cost of cultivation.

It seems that we unwittingly got off a kind of April fool on Messrs. Wm. Lindsay & Son last Friday about those chickens. It was to Mr. C. H. Culp that the chickens were brought. By the way, one of these chickens was restored to its owner, Judge Gage. He lost two other fine chickens at the same time, and found out where they went, but not till after they had been killed.

Small-pox in Columbia.

Columbia has several cases of the "eruptive disease," which have been pronounced small-pox and sent to the pest house.

Election at Blackstock.

The following council was elected at Blackstock yesterday: Intendant, A. Macdonald; Wardens, W. W. Brice, J. E. Douglass, H. A. Holder, and J. D. Mobley.

Entertainment at Hollis.

The Epworth League of Pleasant Grove M. E. church will give an entertainment at Hollis P. O. Friday night, April 15th. All are invited to attend.

Good for Chester.

Childs and Edwards' monumental (This word has a double meaning here) business is not confined to this section of the state, or to this state, or the adjoining states. They have been putting up work recently in Mississippi.

An Evening in Dixie.

Last Thursday evening the home workers of the Presbyterian church gave an entertainment at Hood's hotel, at which many old war songs were sung and other forms of entertainment furnished, all of which were much enjoyed by the audience. We regret that press of other duties forbade our attending.

Rev. I. N. Cardozo Dead.

We find the item below in a special to The State from Orangeburg. The deceased was for a number of years a resident of Chester. He was well educated and was well thought of. Following is the clipping:

The Rev. I. N. Cardozo, colored, a professor at the State colored college, died here last night from the effects of a second stroke of paralysis. The Rev. Cardozo was a highly cultivated man, intellectually and otherwise. His place at the college will probably be filled at an early day.

Six Months.

This issue completes six months, 52 issues, of the existence of THE LANTERN. We don't mention this fact in order to indulge in sentiment or boast of our age, but chiefly to remind a number of six-months subscribers, who began with the first issue or soon afterwards, that their time has about expired. We are confident that nearly all these will renew promptly.

A Slip.

We were in error Friday in saying that Mr. W. S. McLean's first wife was Miss Irwin. It was Mr. J. D. B. McLean that married Miss Irwin. Mr. W. S. McLean's first wife was Miss Mattie Guy, a sister of Treasurer W. O. Guy. This statement was purely a slip, as we were well acquainted with all the parties and familiar with the facts.

Cover the Standpipe.

We have often thought of the possibilities of an uncovered standpipe, with numerous suggestions that are not soothed to unanimous stomachs. We shall not give expression to any of these at present, but we find that they have occurred to others. We learn that our standpipe can be covered at a very trifling cost, and we urge with all becoming humility that this one point open to contamination between the well and the consumer be made inaccessible to pigeons, buzzards, and suicide cranks, with just as little delay as is compatible with the dignity of the commissioners.

A Secret.

Have you any matter you wish to communicate to the people of Chester county—both the men, who pay the taxes and do the voting, and the women, who control the men and do the shopping? If so, do you know that there is no other regular channel under the sun through which you can reach so many of them and reach them so often as through THE LANTERN? If you do not know this, then our modesty in withholding a simple fact which you have a right to know and from which we ought to be drawing a dividend. (2t)

A bad Pistol.

Lawrence Franklin, a colored boy who had been living on Mr. S. M. McAfee's place for 14 years, shot himself through the body Tuesday, while fooling with a pistol, and died Wednesday.

Mr. McAfee tells us that this same pistol shot a colored child last year, on Mr. J. C. McAfee's place. The ball entered the child's cheek, came out under the jaw, entered the shoulder, and came out again down on the side, and yet it seemed to cause the child but little inconvenience.

These pistols that go around shooting people accidentally or otherwise should not be at large; they are more dangerous than mad dogs. Perhaps it would be well for the state to confiscate them.

From an old Carolinian.

The older readers of THE LANTERN, in upper Chester and lower York especially, will be pleased to read the following extract from a letter received by a gentleman in Chester: "It was most agreeably surprised to get a letter from my old home showing the prosperity of Chester, in having marble works. So different from the Chester of 1846 when I left the good old land of Bethesda and all my loved ones there, the Brattons, Loves, Moores, Hemphills, Sadlers; and R. S. Hope, the friend of my boyhood; Hicklins and Kells, my near kinsmen. Most of all no doubt have crossed over ere this. Wish I could look once more upon the good old land and people who have worked, waited, and suffered so much and still grow and prosper. Truly South Carolina is invincible in energy."

Yours truly,

S. Z. WILLIAMSON,
Sardis, Miss.

Attempt to Release Prisoners.

John Glenn, colored, who has been employed by Jos. A. Walker & Son, plumbers, while working in the jail last Friday, drew the staple of the cell of Jim Kennedy, who was under penitentiary sentence, and attempted to cut the lock on the cell of Jim Anderson, the murderer of Capt. Marshall, but was called off, it is supposed, before he completed this. He had also made rude saws from some sheet metal, which were found in the beds of the prisoners. Jim Anderson told the jailer that Glenn had concealed a lock for him to use for locking the jail when he got out. This lock was found in the place named.

Glenn denies that he is guilty as charged, but the evidence seems conclusive. He is in jail, and the penalty is 7 to 30 years in the penitentiary.

See Here!

For the accommodation of sundry persons who expressed a desire to have THE LANTERN but did not have the money at hand, we have sent them the paper on the promise that they would pay in a few days, or in a very short time. Some of these do not seem to appreciate the indulgence extended to them, but wait for us to send them a notice or have an agent call on them. This is not right. It is not just to us. It is not just to themselves. They are not doing what they said they would do.

If we owe any subscriber the amount of his subscription, then it is all right. It is not so bad, for us, in town where we can see the subscribers at almost anytime, but it is expensive for us to send an agent miles away to collect what ought to have been paid according to promise. Think about it. And maybe some will get mad because we refer to the matter.

Now note this. Hereafter when subscribers are taken and indulgence of this kind given, we will send the paper two weeks, and then if the promise is not fulfilled the paper will cease its visits.

We trust that no one will be offended at a good humored statement like this, but if some should, then we hope they will not stop till they get mad enough to fulfil their promises.

Our observation is that promises are like eggs rather than wine; they are not improved by age. tf.

Flag Presented.

We have time and space for scarcely more than mention of the enthusiastic meeting of the Walker-Gaston Camp at the opera house last night. The weather was bad, but the old veterans had seen bad weather before, when there was no roof over their heads and only the wet ground under their feet.

There was a "good house" and all were in a humor to be easily pleased. A large chorus of singers were on the stage, beautiful ladies in becoming attire and handsome men looking their best. During the exercises they sang patriotic airs, such as "America," "Bonnie Blue Flag," and "Dixie."

J. L. Glenn, Esq., presided in an easy, graceful manner.

The first speaker introduced was Gen. R. R. Hemphill, of Abbeville, who had no set speech, but pleased the audience with wit and anecdote, and paid many compliments to the old Sixth regiment, which he said was unique in that it was commanded by a colonel (Winder) from another state, and was kept under strict discipline, a thing unknown to other regiments.

Gen. T. W. Carlisle, of Edgefield, came next. He gave many incidents of the war, in which he evidently had the sympathy of the members of the local camp.

J. H. Marlon, Esq., had the duty of presenting to the camp a flag in behalf of Commander J. W. Reid. He paid high and deserved tribute to the Confederate privates.

A. L. Gaston, Esq., received the flag in the name of the Walker-Gaston camp. He spoke feelingly of the patriotism of the soldiers and our obligations to them.

A very interesting feature of the

ENGAGEMENT AND WEDDING RINGS.

Diamonds are very appropriate.

Such is the extent of our line in these rings that we can suit any demand in reference to price. Buy diamonds from that dealer only in whom you have every confidence.

At \$4.50

I sell a plain 18k solid gold ring that is popular in width and in weight. All that one asks in such rings is that it shall be plain and as pure in quality as it is stamped—18k gold shall mean 18k fine. As in all else our stamp speaks for our rings. We have the latest and best and our goods always sell whenever tested by competition. Let us show you our rings—

R. BRANDT, THE JEWELER AND OPTICIAN,

CHESTER, S. C.

TOBACCO! MOLASSES!

—EVERYTHING CHEAP AT—

Wm. LINDSAY & SON'S.

Just received car load of NEW ORLEANS MOLASSES, in new clean barrels, which we will let go as fast as possible, so come and see us.

We will sell you good TOBACCO so you can make money on it.

Don't forget us.

Wm. LINDSAY & SON.

NO WONDER

WALKER'S

PLACE IS SO MUCH ADMIRED!

EVERYTHING is so attractive and his stock is complete.

Every house-holder knows that when a nice dinner is wanted it cannot be got until you go to Walker's, as he keeps everything that is needed, and fresh. An inspection will convince you that his store is the best equipped grocery store in the city.

THE LATEST delicious treat is Egg Macaroni. It is to be tried to convince. Call at Walker's.

"We can live without science, art and books,
But civilized men cannot live without cooks."

Phone 84.

JOS. A. WALKER.

exercises was the presentation, by the chairman, of the sponsor, Miss Jennie Hood, and her maid of honor, Miss Tattie Boulware, who were greeted with enthusiastic applause.

During the singing of Dixie, especially, the veterans at times drowned the voices of the singers with cheers, and at last joined to their feet and joined in the chorus, and some of them will probably need new hats this morning.

The Rebel yell was not on the program, but it was put in evidence. The old fellows took a few minutes and yelled to their satisfaction.

The Sixth regiment flag had a position of honor, and the flags of South Carolina and the Confederacy, with the portraits of Confederate heroes completed the decoration.

The Sure La Grippe Cure.

There is no use suffering from this dreadful malady, if you will only get the right remedy. You are having pain all through your body, your liver is out of order, have no appetite, no life or ambition, have a bad cold, in fact are completely used up. Electric Bitters is the only remedy that will give you prompt and sure relief. They act directly on your Liver, Stomach and Kidneys, tone up the whole system and make you feel like a new being. They are guaranteed to cure or price refunded. For sale at Woods & Brice's Drug Store, only 50 cents per bottle. (ft)

C. WARREN'S

(Jos. A. Walker's Old Stand)

Will always get fresh Groceries and first-class goods and the most for your money at WARREN'S. Also have just received fresh lot of

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best and choicest in the city. Give me a call and be convinced. You will find Royal and Rumford Baking Powders, fresh lot of Pickles, sweet sour, mixed, and Chow Chow, Monogram Brand.

Havana Rose and Country Gentleman Cigars

Finest smoke in the city. Coffees from ten to thirty cents per pound. Can suit all. All kinds of Spices. Everything generally found in first-class grocery, at

C. WARREN'S.

REMOVAL.

Dr. JAMES B. BIGHAM,

SURGEON DENTIST.

Has removed from Blackstock to Chester, Office in Walker & Henry's new building, up stairs.

TRIBUTE OF TILLMAN

To the Character and Virtues of the Late Joseph H. Earle.

The following is a part of Senator Tillman's eulogy on the character and virtues of the late lamented Senator Earle, delivered in the United States Senate on March 28:

Mr. President, in rising to address the Senate on this occasion I shall depart from the form of eulogy which is customary. I can not speak of Senator Earle from the standpoint of personal friendship, I can not from extended personal observation and experience pay tribute to his character and virtues as a man and as a private citizen. I can not speak of him even from the standpoint of political friendship. While we both entered this Senate as representatives of the Democracy of South Carolina and he had publicly announced his purpose to cooperate with me in the Senate if elected, we were not friends in the common acceptance of the term, nor were we political allies. What I shall say, therefore, in honor of my dead colleague will be more worthy of acceptance and carry more weight by reason of antagonism that existed between us as rival candidates for the governorship in 1890, and later on because I felt it my duty to lend all the help I could to the gentleman who opposed him in his race for the Senate.

Senator Earle and myself were never brought into close contact except during an exciting political canvass, and I therefore had no opportunity to judge the man as he bore himself toward his friends and neighbors. But during that canvass I watched him, and had opportunities such as no other man in South Carolina or out of it ever had to get an insight to his character and a correct appreciation of his sterling worth and brave, unflinching manhood during a most trying ordeal. It may not be of interest to the Senate, and I have almost doubted the propriety of entering on this occasion into a recital of events in which I myself bore so conspicuous a part. It is not egotism or any desire to inject my own personality into the discussion of Senator Earle's services and merits. But if I fail by reason of such consideration to discuss the subject from that standpoint, I will fail to discharge my duty as I see it, and no one else can perform that duty as well as I can. Indeed, no one can or will perform it at all. If I do not do it, the fame and record of the virtues of the dead Senator would lack that testimonial which I alone can give here, and which, given under the circumstances, can but help to link his name by stronger bonds to South Carolina's history.

Senator Earle sat in this body a very short time. The illness which resulted in his death seized him within thirty days after he took the oath of office, and he disappeared from our midst to return no more. His star had climbed the heavens until it had reached the zenith and there shone with a calm and steady brilliancy. Suddenly, like a meteor, it sank beneath the horizon and went out in darkness, leaving naught as a reminder that it ever held a place in the Senatorial galaxy save the memory of one short speech of two minutes. That speech made its impress on the minds of his hearers and stamped the new Senator as a good constitutional lawyer and a man that could not tamely submit to injustice or yield one jot or tittle of the right of his State and of his people.

But as impressive as was his utterance and eloquent as was his plea, it only gave promise of a career that closed all too suddenly and sadly. Senator Earle will not be remembered for what he did here. His record is not a Senatorial one. His reputation must rest upon his actions and utterances while he was an officer of South Carolina and before he was sent here as her representative.

No man ever wants to kiss a girl after he has once seen her hold a nickel the conductor has given her for change between her teeth while she gets her purse open.

Lee's Popularity.

Following is an editorial paragraph from the New York World of Wednesday:

"It is to be hoped that the apprehension felt in Havana for the personal safety of Fitzhugh Lee is wholly unfounded. The Spanish papers have done their utmost to excite the worst passions of the worst characters in the slums of that city, but it is impossible to believe that even the most reckless criminal would think of hurting a single hair on the head of our brave consul general. If harm should come to him the war would have begun—and it would be good-by to Spain!"

That sounds well to patriotic southern ears, coming from a New York paper, but what shall be said of this paragraph from the *Herald*, also of Wednesday?

"Hisses, cat-calls and prolonged hooting greeted the name of President McKinley last night in a song at the Harlem opera house. Two comedians had interpolated a stanza deriding his position in regard to Spain. A verse in praise of Fitzhugh Lee was received with cheers. The managers of the opera house made ineffectual attempts to repress the demonstration against the President."

The millennium must be near at hand when the name of a Northern Republican President is hissed and that of a Confederate Democratic brigadier is applauded in a New York theatre—and a Lee at that! Times change and men change with them—*Charlotte Observer*.

ANGLO-SAXON UNION.

Alfred Austin's Poem on Co-operation between England and America.

LONDON, March 29.—The *Daily Mail* under the caption "A Voice from the West," this morning prints a poem by Alfred Austin, the Poet Laureate, which is based on the idea of sympathy and cooperation between Great Britain and the United States. The poem follows:

"What is the voice I hear
On the wind of the Western sea?
Sentinel, listen from Cape Clear,
And say what the voice may be.
'Tis a proud, free people calling loud
To a people proud and free.
And it says to them, Kinsmen, hail,
We severed have been too long;
Now let us have done with a worn out tale,
A tale of an ancient wrong,
And our friendship last long as love
doth last,
And be stronger than death is strong."

"Answer them, sons of the self-same race,
And blood of the self-same clan,
Let us speak with each other face to face,
And answer as man to man,
And loyally love and trust each other
As one but free men can."

"Now ring them to the breeze—
Shimmer, thistle and rose,
And the Star Spangled Banner unfurl
with these
A message to friends and foes,
Wherever the sails of peace are seen
And wherever the wind blows.
A message to bond and thrall to wake,
For wherever we come, we twain,
The throne of the tyrant shall rock and quake,
And his menace be void and vain,
For you are lords of a strong, young land,
And we are lords of the main."

The final verse, which is not cabled, re-echoes the second.—By cable to the New York Sun.

Bad Oil.

You can buy in Georgia for ten cents per gallon the purest grade of kerosene oil, and by running the blaze to the top of the chimney the glass will be as bright as if just cleaned. But the Standard Oil company dumps all of its refuse kerosene in South Carolina, and our people are made to pay fifteen cents per gallon for oil condemned by Georgia. The defeat of Mr. Lancaster's oil inspection bill was the sorriest day's work ever done by that terrapin legislature.—*Piedmont Herald*.

Marriage is a lottery in which men stake their liberty and women their happiness.—Mme. de Rieux.

A Strange Animal.

A man in Paris has been making a good deal of money exhibiting a curious animal in the cafes chantant and such places. It was a very queer little animal and the alert Parisians were willing enough to drop the pet sou for a sight of it. Still, looking as they would, none could determine the species of the creature. It was interesting, but it was baffling, and the owner coined money. One day however, a dog chanced to follow a curious beholder into a cafe chantant. Immediately the wondrous animal humped its back like a diminutive camel and began to hiss and spit. The mystery was solved. It was a shaved cat.

"An now," said the editor, "let us be thankful for one day of rest and get ready for church."

"Yes," said his wife, "run out and chop some wood, and milk the cows, and light the fire, and make the coffee, and wash the children, while I bang my hair!"

Miss Ima Hoppicker of Oklahoma, has asked the permission of the courts to change her name to Ima Helper.

Alice Mitchell, the young woman who a few years ago created a sensation by cutting the throat of Freda Ward, an intimate friend, died Thursday in the State asylum at Bolivar, Tenn., where she had been confined since the trial. The cause of death is not known.

Carolina and North-Western R'y.

CENTRAL TIME STANDARD.
Schedule in Effect M'ch 8, '98.

GOING NORTH.	No. 19.	No. 98.
Leave Chester	6:45 am	9:45 am
Leave Lowryville	7:00 am	9:20 am
Leave Richmond	7:15 am	9:35 am
Leave Guthrieville	7:30 am	9:50 am
Leave Yorkville	7:45 am	10:05 am
Leave Lexington	8:00 am	10:20 am
Leave Newton	8:15 am	10:35 am
Leave Hickory	8:30 am	10:50 am
Arrive Chester	12:15 pm	4:00 pm

GOING SOUTH.

No. 9.	No. 61.	
Leave Chester	3:15 pm	5:30 pm
Leave Lowryville	4:15 pm	7:20 pm
Leave Richmond	4:30 pm	7:35 pm
Leave Guthrieville	4:45 pm	7:50 pm
Leave Yorkville	5:00 pm	8:05 pm
Leave Lexington	5:15 pm	8:20 pm
Leave Newton	5:30 pm	8:35 pm
Leave Hickory	5:45 pm	8:50 pm
Arrive Chester	9:15 pm	5:10 pm

Trains Nos. 9 and 61 are first class, and run daily except Sunday. Trains Nos. 19 and 98 carry passengers and also run daily except Sunday. There is good connection at Chester with the L. & N. and the A. & C. E. R. R. at Gastonia with the A. & C. L. at Lincolnton with the C. & N. C. and Hickory and Newton with W. N. C.

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(EASTERN TIME STANDARD)
Time Table in Effect Sept. 26, 1897.
DAILY EXCEPT SUNDAY.

SOUTHBOUND.	No. 15.	No. 17.
Leave Chester	11:00 a. m.	7:00 p. m.
Leave Richmond	11:30 a. m.	7:30 p. m.
Leave Yorkville	12:00 p. m.	8:00 p. m.
Leave Lexington	12:30 p. m.	8:30 p. m.
Arrive Lancaster	1:00 p. m.	9:00 p. m.

NORTHBOUND.	No. 16.	No. 18.
Leave Lancaster	8:00 a. m.	4:00 p. m.
Leave Yorkville	8:30 a. m.	4:30 p. m.
Leave Lexington	9:00 a. m.	5:00 p. m.
Arrive Chester	9:45 a. m.	5:45 p. m.

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